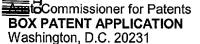
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PATENT APPLICATION



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Enclosed herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of

Inventor: Olaf MANCZAK, et al.

"Symmetric Shared File Storage System"

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Title:

Specification: 31 pages including Title Page, Claims and Abstract

Declaration (3 pages) (Facsimile copy)

3. Drawings: 9 sheets (Formal) (Figs. 1-5, 6A-6D, and 7-8)

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5. Attorney for Application hereby asserts Small Entity Status claim.

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